

Editor Charges Federal Grants Result In Loss

By John J. Hurt
NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—The editor of the Southern Baptist Convention's largest state paper charged here that denominations taking federal grants for their institutions will "lose them ultimately anyway."

Housing Questions Raised

WASHINGTON (BP) Churches may become "agents" of government if they become involved in the federal government's housing programs, according to a United States Congressman.

Rep. Richard L. Roudebush (R., Ind.), in remarks included in the Appendix of the Congressional Record, said that "few persons are fully aware of the extent the federal government is involving the churches of America in its housing programs."

He charged that such involvement raises serious church-state questions and "may insert our churches in federal programs as agents of the government."

To support his argument the congressman included an article from the Indianapolis News, which he said explored the role of churches in such programs in "a detailed manner."

The article, written by Ross Hermann, states that complete separation of church and state is "giving way to public embrace in which government and churches cooperate on mutually approved social projects."

Hermann cited as an example a speech made by an official of the Federal Housing and Home Finance Administration at a conference on housing and urban development last fall.

The official was quoted as saying that a church group could form a nonprofit mortgage corporation, go to a private lending institution for financing, have the loan insured by the Federal Housing Administration and then build the housing.

Poverty-level families would pay a maximum of 25 per cent of their income for rent in such housing, the article reported. "The difference between that payment and the regular rent would be made up to the church or other sponsoring organization by direct subsidies from the federal government."

An example of church-state housing was cited as the Martin Luther Tower in San Francisco. This is a 13-story apartment built by St. Mark's Lutheran Church in San Francisco "with government backing." The article said that when complete the tower would be "a self-contained community shepherded by" (Continued on page 3)

3 Houseparties Ready For YWA

Three Baptist Young Woman's Auxiliary houseparties have been scheduled for Mississippi in the near future, according to Miss Virginia Johnson, YWA director of Woman's Missionary Union, who will lead the meetings.

A houseparty for north Mississippi will be held March 4-6 at Camp Lake Stephens near Oxford while one for south Mississippi will be conducted March 10-12 at Gulf-shore Assembly at Pass Christian.

Featured speakers at the Camp Lake Stephens houseparty will be Mrs. Curtis Askew, missionary to Jamaica. (Continued on page 3)

and State sponsored by Americans United for Separation of Church and State sponsored by Americans United for Separation of Church and State (POAU).

James said "if service to God and His churches" is not the first objective of the institutions "then they have no right to use the tithes of God's children." He added: "If this is their main purpose, then they have no right to tax money paid by people who do not even believe He lives."

James continued: "The denominations that refuse government aid for their institutions may lose some institutions that might have been held for a while by accepting it."

"On the other hand, if we let them take it, we are going to lose them ultimately anyway; and in doing so we will lose some things we can never recover; our heritage, our distinctive, our spiritual influence, and our self respect."

James was one of a dozen speakers for the two-day conference. Some warned that the ecumenical trend endangers the church-state separation principle as Protestants surrender some of their distinctives.

Arthur W. Mielke, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Buffalo, N. Y., said Protestants in dialogue with Roman Catholics "might find it a little more difficult to carry on these dialogues if at the same time they keep up the discussion about the danger of separation of church and state."

He paid tribute to several groups, including Baptists, for refusal to take federal grants, saying, "It costs something to make a pure witness, and it is heartening to know that there are many" (Continued on page 2)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—SBC Budget Proposed

NASHVILLE (BP)—The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention here adopted major recommendations, including a \$24.2 million budget proposal for 1967, to be submitted for action at the Southern Baptist Convention, May 24-27, in Detroit, Michigan.

The 58-member committee adopted statements outlining in detail the programs of four

A statewide United Drys organization has been set up, and more than 78 of the counties in the state have similar units; as a result of action by ministers and laymen of various faiths in the Jackson area.

Funds for the support of the group are already coming in, with the first gift received being one dollar from an 11-

year old girl. Dr. David R. Grant, pastor of Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson, was named as general chairman of the state organization with the Boardmoor church selected as state headquarters for the group.

Rev. Fred Tarpley, pastor of Ridgecrest Baptist Church, (Continued on page 3)

MISSISSIPPI UNITED DRYS TO OPPOSE LEGAL LIQUOR EFFORTS

Quarles Issues Statement

"Mississippi, by any measure of counting the cost, cannot afford to legalize evil," Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive Secretary - Treasurer, said in a statement issued Saturday of last week in support of a movement to defeat the proposed efforts to legalize liquor in the state.

Dr. Quarles' statement follows in full:

"Shall we legalize evil?" is the question being considered by the legislators now and may soon be submitted to a referendum of the people. Mississippi does not need legalized liquor. The state would be legalizing a product which is best known for its evil effects on mankind.

"Throughout history alcohol has been a curse upon the world. Strong drink has debauched character, destroyed homes, caused the downfall of nations, blighted lives and damned souls from the beginning of time, and continues (Continued on page 3)

Plan For Future Or Die, Says McCall

NASHVILLE (BP) — The Southern Baptist Convention should map its plans in terms of decades rather than on annual basis, or else face decline and even death, a Baptist seminary president said here.

"When you make short plans, you are telling yourself to die," said Duke K. McCall of Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

"Any institution or organization today which makes short plans is ordering itself to die," McCall told the Southern Baptist Executive Committee meeting here.

"We ought to quit using the year as the unit of our planning and at least progress the decade," he said.

McCall, who served as executive secretary-treasurer of the SBC Executive Committee from 1946 to 1951 before becoming president of the denomination's oldest seminary, made the statements in an address to the Executive Committee almost exactly 20 years after becoming the denomination's top executive at the age of 32.

Earlier, a portrait of McCall had been unveiled and glowing tribute was given him by J. R. White of Montgomery, Ala., president of the seminary's board of trustees. The portrait will hang in the Southern Baptist Convention building here near a portrait of Austin C. Crouch, the first executive secretary of the Executive Committee. (Continued on page 2)

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WHERE THE SBC MEETS: Sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention May 24-27 will be held in the Convention Arena adjacent to Cobo Hall—the circular white building at center. The building is within a stones throw of the Detroit River and within easy walking distance of downtown Detroit as shown in this aerial view. (BP Photo). The complete program will appear in an early issue.

SBC Membership Now 10,772,712

NASHVILLE (BP)—Membership in Southern Baptist Convention churches passed the 10 million mark during 1965, an end-of-the-year statistical summary prepared by the denomination's statistical service reported here.

Membership in the denomination's 33,797 churches increased to a record 10,772,712 during 1965, an increase of 1.6 per cent or 171,197.

The statistical summary was prepared by the research and statistics department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board here. Martin B. Bradley is head of the department.

Other new records set during the year include passing the \$600 million mark in annual total gifts, and the \$3 billion mark in total value of church property, according to Bradley.

Total gifts of Baptists through their churches increased in 1965 by 7.8 percent to a record of \$637,958,846. The mission or benevolence portion of these gifts rose to \$106,743,944, an increase of 6.6 per cent over the 1964 total.

Average per member gifts also increased to record levels, with an average of \$59.22 annually in total contributions through the churches, and \$9.91 annually to missions and benevolence through the churches.

The statistical report listed Baptist church property value at \$3,080,663,120, a rise of over \$125 million compared to the 1964 figure. Property value per church slightly exceeds an average of \$91,000, with reported values ranging from a few dollars for small churches to several million dollars for a large number of churches.

Although total membership, giving, and property value figures were up, baptisms for the year and enrollments in church organizations were slightly down.

Baptisms during 1965 totaled 361,634, a decrease of 12,744 from the 374,378 baptisms (converts) in 1964.

Changes in processing the denomination's statistics resulted in adjusting downward the enrollment figures for church educational organizations, said Bradley. For the first time, the 1965

Autrey Places Blame For Drop In Baptisms

ATLANTA (BP)—Southern Baptist baptisms totaled only 361,634 in 1965, down from the not-so-high 1964 figure.

"The reaction to this should be a reshaping of strategy, according to C. E. Autrey of Atlanta, director of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's division of evangelism.

He pinpoints four major factors in the 1965 decrease:

- 1) Lack of concern for the lost on the part of Southern Baptist churches.
- 2) Lack of knowledge on the part of pastors and church leaders in how to develop and maintain an evangelistic church.
- 3) The tendency to conduct brief routine revivals, even at times cut to weekends only.
- 4) The necessary convention-wide emphasis on program study and agency cooperation that has sapped momentum from grass-roots Gospel preaching.

"This report should call the attention of our leaders and pastors to the fact we're just not meeting our challenge," Autrey said. "I think much of the recent program study and research projects are necessary." (Continued on page 2)

U.S. Aid Proposed For Foster Children

WASHINGTON (BP)—Federal financial assistance for children in foster homes and child care institutions would be provided under several pieces of legislation introduced in the United States Senate.

Sen. Harrison A. Williams Jr. (D., N. J.) introduced a bill which would provide a grant program to states for furnishing aid and services for children under foster care. Many persons in Baptist children's homes would be eligible for such aid.

Earlier Sen. Joseph M. Montoya (D., N.M.) introduced legislation to provide per pupil aid to school districts which are educating children who are in child care institutions. Montoya's proposal would amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, which now provides per pupil grants to local school districts for children from low-income families. (Continued on page 2)



PORTRAIT UNVEILED: A portrait of the second executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee, Duke K. McCall of Louisville, Ky., was unveiled in Nashville during a meeting of the Executive Committee. McCall, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., since 1951, became executive secretary of the Executive Committee 20 years ago, 1946, at the age of 32. The portrait of McCall is shown by J. R. White (right) of Montgomery, Ala., president of the board of trustees at Southern Seminary. Mrs. McCall looks on. (BP photo)



EDITORS ELECT DALEY: Officers of the Southern Baptist Press Association look over comments on their publications made by University of Georgia Journalism Professor Charles B. Kopp (right) who coordinated the program for the editors' meeting in Athens, Ga. Officers are (left to right) C. R. Daley, editor of the Western Recorder (Kentucky), president; L. H. Moore, editor of the Illinois Baptist, vice president; and Gainer E. Bryan Jr., editor of the Maryland Baptist, secretary. (BP photo)

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In his speech to the committee after the presentation, McCall told of trends in the denomination and the need for planning for the future.

"If you don't plan today for 25 million Southern Baptists by the year 2,000 you have decided that Southern Baptists are to shrink into insignificance as a proportion of the population of America," he declared.

He said that by the turn of the century, there ought to be at least 50,000 churches affiliated with the SBC.

McCall said that major factors that have worked on Southern Baptist life included the growth in number, wealth, and geographical extension of Baptists.

"Twenty years ago there were 5 1/2 million Southern Baptists. The report just given to you shows 10 1/2 million members. We have just about doubled in size in 20 years."

"This growth has done something to our organization, something to the leadership of our convention which I want you to see," McCall said. "The Executive Committee has been at the very heart of the change."

He said that there has been a democratization of the leadership within the convention. "Control and the decision-making process of the denomination are spread over a larger and more representative group of Baptist leaders today than ever before in the history of the denomination," he said.

The former Executive Committee leader said that the committee now has more power than it did 20 years ago when he was its director, and that ten years from now, the Executive Committee will have even more power.

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Power Safe Guarded
"This flow of power from the churches is more thoroughly safe-guarded today than ever before in the history of the convention," he declared.

"If power flows from the churches to the committee, thank God and relax," he said. "But if it (power) flows from the central organization down to the churches, then get on your knees and pray God to send the hurricane."

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with the sophistication and the academic approach of the city. We are no longer one homogeneous people."

Calling for broader plans to meet the challenge of increasing diversification, McCall urged clear thinking among Baptist leaders and constant guards against dispensing with "what you think is irrelevant and useless in the ordering of your decision-making process."

"The one thing that is obvious today is the need of longer range planning," he said.

He urged budget planning, not on the current annual basis, but in terms of decades.

Citing as an example how quickly knowledge is advancing, McCall said that about one-fourth of whatever Baptist ministers are thinking now will be obsolete in 1976. "Now I'm not talking about basic biblical revelation. I'm talking about all of the things that accumulate around your understanding of the significance, the meaning, the method of communication of that revelation."

"Human beings can... project their purposes down the corridor of the centuries if they wish. It is this unique capacity to transcend the present, to live one's life by reaching into the past and projecting into the future, not at the mercy of the world but as a builder and designer of that world, that has been described as the distinction between human being and animal or the incredibly intelligent machines man has made."

He urged Southern Baptists to be "builders for eternity" and "stepping stones for the marching feet of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords."

Business losses during the twelve-day transit strike in New York City were estimated to be \$800 million. Wage earners unable to get to their jobs lost approximately \$25 million a day. The loss of an estimated 500 million man-hours per week severely crippled industry, commerce, and banking.

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SBC Budget Is Proposed

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\$200,000 increase proposed for the six Baptist theological seminaries, and a \$541,450 increase for home missions.

The proposed \$24.2 million goal would include an allocation of \$2,249,500 already approved by the SBC for capital needs of convention agencies, and a \$21,950,500 goal for operating needs of SBC agencies. The operating budget would be \$995,250 more than the 1965 operating budget.

In separation action, the committee recommended a \$530,000 convention operating budget in addition to the \$24.2 million Cooperative Program budget goal. Only \$200,000 from the Cooperative Program budget would go to the operating fund, the remainder coming from interest and dividends and the Baptist Sunday School Board.

The proposed survey on attitudes and opinions of Baptists concerning a name change for the Southern Baptist Convention was recommended by the Executive Committee's administrative subcommittee, assigned earlier to recommend procedures for studying the possibility. The SBC meeting in Dallas last June requested the Executive Committee to study the matter.

The Dallas convention also referred to the Executive Committee a proposal by television actor Gregory Walcott of Hollywood, Calif., calling for establishment of a "diplomatic unit" to Hollywood motion picture and television producers and distributors.

A recommendation from the committee's program subcommittee was adopted; which would assign the SBC Christian Life Commission to "discover and interpret Baptist views on theater-type films through constant study, conferences, seminars, and publications." The commission was also requested to communicate with the motion picture industry "as needed on points of concern to the churches." Final approval would have to come from the convention in Detroit.

Program statements were adopted outlining the scope of responsibility and work of the SBC Foreign Mission Board, Home Mission Board, Woman's Missionary Union, and American Baptist Theological Seminary Commission. Program objectives already approved by the convention, for nine other SBC agencies were

also adopted.

A committee report recommending that the SBC Foreign and Home Mission Boards served as the channel agencies for aiding people in disaster areas was adopted by the Executive Committee. The committee reported that the Foreign Mission Board had already allocated \$100,000 for such emergency relief, and the Home Mission Board has allocated \$50,000, to be added to a previous budgeted amount of \$50,000. The Home Board is moving toward a goal of \$250,000.

Although the committee meeting was void of controversy, there was some debate over a proposed bylaws change concerning representation of state Baptist conventions on SBC boards and agencies.

Objections Stated
Some objected because the proposal would have rotated representation from Baptist state conventions with less than 100,000 members on SBC commissions and institutions. Proponents however, argued that it was not democratic process for the ten small states, with a combined total membership of less than 500,000, to each have one representative on the agencies when 11 other state Baptist conventions each have over 500,000 members—more than the combined total of the ten small states.

The proposal to change the bylaws was tabled until the meeting of the Executive Committee in February 1967. Wording changes in the SBC constitution, already approved by the convention and Executive Committee last year, were adopted on second reading and recommended for final consideration by the convention in Detroit.

A portrait of Duke McCall of Louisville, Ky., former executive secretary of the Executive Committee, was unveiled during the meeting. McCall became head of the Executive Committee 20 years ago at the age of 32, serving until 1951 when he was named president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Other actions of the 58-member committee included: approval of a charter change for the SBC Annuity Board to provide perpetual existence rather than for 50 years; approval of a charter change for the SBC Radio, Television Commission;

approval of a change in fiscal year for the Radio-TV Commission; subject to final convention approval.

approval of a \$350,000 loan request by Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, against future capital needs budgets already approved for 1967 and 1968;

adoption of a resolution expressing gratitude for the contributions of Noel M. Taylor, former executive secretary of the Illinois Baptist State Association, Carbondale, Illinois;

adoption of resolutions expressing appreciation to two retiring state Baptist editors: E. S. James of the Baptist Standard in Dallas, Tex.; and S. H. Jones of the Baptist Courier, in Greenville, S. C.

authorization of expressions of tributes and esteem for two deceased Baptist leaders, W. R. Pettigrew, pastor from Louisville, Ky.; and Leon Macon, editor of the Alabama Baptist, Birmingham; and for Harold Severs, former chairman of the Executive Committee who resigned recently as pastor in Mobile, Ala., because of blindness.

A part of \$2,600,000 received by the public school system from provisions of the education act will be used to provide funds to operate the classes. They are for children in elementary grades who have learning difficulties. Public school officials reportedly are to remain in direct charge of the project, but parochial officers will assist in implementing portions of the program directly involving parochial school children.

Mr. Adams said: "While not having seen the plan in detail, it appears to be sound, constitutional application of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. All school children, regardless of their school enrollment, will be permitted to attend these remedial instruction classes in public schools."

He added, "This would seem to be a proper application of the so-called 'child benefit' theory. Aid is not given to any religious institution, either directly or indirectly through students enrolled therein."



STATE BAPTIST SECRETARIES ELECT OFFICERS: New officers of the State Executive Secretaries' Association elected recently in Athens, Ga., are N. J. Westmoreland (right) of the Kansas Convention of Southern Baptists, president; Edmund Walker (center) of the Hawaii Baptist Convention, vice president; and Glen E. Braswell (left) of the Colorado Baptist General Convention, secretary. Their meeting was held at the University of Georgia Center for Continuing Education, Athens. (BP Photo)

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who are still willing to pay that price."

C. Stanley Lowell, associate director of Americans United, said the Vatican Council with

ical changes in the SBC constitution, conditional to final approval of the Executive Committee;

adoption of the Robert's Rules of Order definition of full term of office in filling vacancies on expired terms; subject to final convention approval;

appointment of four SBC leaders to serve as proxies on the Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee in case elected SBC representatives cannot attend;

permission to Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, to use portions of a \$260,000 previously allocated capital needs item for renovation of Fort Worth Hall instead of for a Children's Building; subject to convention approval;

authorization for Southern Seminary, Louisville, to use \$60,000 in capital funds for Mullins Hall renovation; subject to final convention approval;

Extension of Study

extension of one year on a study of the ministry of downtown Baptist churches;

authorization for American Seminary Commission to use interest from capital reserve funds for operating funds;

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Drop In Baptisms

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ry, but we've taken the emphasis off reaching the lost."

Autrey said the failure of Southern Baptists to pick up and go beyond 400,000 baptisms in the last few years could, at least in part, be rooted in the heavy stress on internal scrutiny.

He called for creative efforts in local revivals, emphasis on personal witnessing, and an awareness of the Holy Spirit to join new life into SBC churches in 1966.

He said he expects a 1966 campaign on personal witnessing to boost the baptism

its boost for ecumenicism" is just the kind of strategy that fits our time and it is working." He said religious liberty gained from the Council but church-state separation lost in "a real tragedy."

Lowell said the religious liberty declaration "specifically maintains in force the various concordats or special agreements between the Vatican and various states which provide special privilege and tax support for the Roman Catholic Church."

Sen. Sam J. Ervin Jr., (D., N.C.), addressing the conference's public rally, declared:

"Despite 180 years of continual remonstrances against establishment, our centralized government is endeavoring to relieve the church membership of the right and responsibility for its own support."

He deplored the trend toward grants, saying the federal government now administers "over 60 programs costing almost \$5 billion in which non-secular schools and colleges may participate."

Ervin expressed the hope that the Senate subcommittee on constitutional rights, of which he is chairman, in its hearings next month "will officially recognize the need for resolving the first amendment conflict with which we are confronted."

Americans United presented him a certificate for "unparalleled devotion to this country's hallowed tradition of church-state separation."

Newton Elected President

NASHVILLE (BP) — Louie D. Newton of Atlanta was re-elected president of Protestants and Other Americans United (POAU) for a fifth two-year term. Newton, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention and one of POAU's founders, is pastor of the Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta.

Dick H. Hall, Jr., vice president of Atlanta Baptist College, was re-elected vice president. Bishop Edwin R. Garrison of the Dakota Methodist Conference, was named the other vice president. John S. Thompson, investment broker of Washington, D. C. was re-elected secretary and Admiral Harold C. Fitz, also of Washington, was re-elected treasurer.

Oglesby Named

FRESNO, Calif. (BP) — David Oglesby, business manager of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California here since 1963, has been elected assistant executive secretary — treasurer of the California Baptist Foundation, effective immediately.

Baptist Negro Work Council Votes Study

NASHVILLE (BP) — The Advisory Council of Southern Baptists for Work with Negroes voted here recently to study the possibility of developing a staff relationship to the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's department of work with National Baptists.

The council, composed of representatives from various Southern Baptist agencies which are involved with ministries to Negroes, asked a committee to make the study and report to the heads of the various Baptist agencies involved.

The committee was requested "to propose a plan for redefining the Advisory Council's function and relationship to the end that its purpose may be achieved through a staff responsibility of the department of work with National Baptists of the Home Mission Board."

The action came just following an address by Albert McClellan, program planning secretary for the Southern Baptist Executive Committee here, in which he traced the objectives, history, and future needs of the Southern Baptist ministries to Negroes.

Although the committee was given no instructions, it was assumed that the action could eventually lead to reorganization of the council as it currently exists, said Ros Coggins of Nashville, chairman of the council.

Attala Pastors Vote Dry

Attala Baptist Pastors' Conference officially went on record February 21 as opposing the legalization of alcohol in Mississippi.

Agreeing that the evils of alcohol to society, and particularly in the home, are evident to any well-informed person; and that Attala Countians have more than once voted for prohibition; and that legal liquor would cause more problems than it would solve, they asked for retention and strengthening of present laws relating to the enforcement of prohibition, and for the repeal of the black market tax.

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He would include financial assistance for the education of "orphans and other children lacking parental support" who are in public and private institutions or in foster homes.

The New Mexico senator cited the Portales Municipal School District which "is responsible for the education of some 150 youngsters living in two facilities for orphaned and dependent children there." These youngsters should be included in payments under the education act, he said.

The Baptist Children's Home of the Baptist Convention of New Mexico is located at Portales.

Sen. Williams said that failure to make some federal provision for foster care programs places the burden "on state and local governments and voluntary organizations supported by charitable contributions."

His bill would provide grants similar to the federal aid now given to dependent children. It would include children in foster family homes and in child care institutions.

The federal share for children in foster family homes would equal 50 per cent of the amount provided by the state. This would include expenditures for insurance premiums for or the cost of medical or other type of remedial care.

The federal share as aid to children under foster care in child institutions, public and nonprofit private, would equal 100 per cent of the total amount provided by the state.

In addition the bill would provide funds for services for the child's welfare and for the training of personnel for such services.



RECORD FOREIGN MISSIONS CHECK: The top officials of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board held the largest check ever received by the mission board in Richmond, Va. The check for \$3,662,557 was presented to Baker James Causton, right, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, during the SBC Executive Committee meeting in Nashville recently. J. Chester Baggett of Campbellville, Ky., (left), is president of the Foreign Mission Board. The record check includes \$2,538,614 in gifts through the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering among Baptist churches, \$395,485 in contributions through the Cooperative Program unified budget plan, and \$723,458 in other designations. The amount came during one week to the SBC Executive Committee for distributions. (BP photo)

Statement On Liquor

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to do those things today.

"Yet, Mississippians are being urged to legalize this curse, so that it may become more accessible, and its purveyors may more readily prey upon the state's citizens. Some call the present situation hypocritical, but as bad as it is, Mississippi is still far better off than states which have legalized liquor."

"The vast majority of Mississippians do not have to endure saloons, liquor stores, liquor advertising, or liquor on the shelves of their favorite restaurants, drug stores, etc. Admittedly, liquor is here in some places, but it is not a 'respected citizen,' and it is not brazenly displayed from the best business corners in our cities and towns. Drinking there is; but not as much as in wet areas. If one disagrees with this, let him live for a while in wet territory, and then come back to live in Mississippi."

"Down Back Alley"
"Mississippians have not said to their young people that they approve of liquor and its attendant evils. They would do so by legalization. Liquor is here but is down the back alley, or hidden from sight in most areas of the state. Illegal liquor is bad, but legal liquor is just as bad, and legalization increases the amount."

"Legalization would not eliminate either political corruption or bootlegging as has been proven in other states. Legalization, as the wets know, would increase the consumption of liquor but as every thinking business man knows, it would also decrease business in the basic areas of human need. As has been proven in other states, the revenue derived from liquor would not begin to compensate for the increased costs in welfare cases, control of crime and treatment of alcoholism."

"Legalization of liquor is a moral blight on any state. Mississippi, by any measure of counting the cost, cannot afford to legalize evil!"

Dr. Howard Aultman, pastor of First Church, Columbia, was guest speaker for the Lawrence County Evangelistic Conference Monday night, Feb. 28.

Pilot Program For Youth Set

ATLANTA (BP)—A two-year-pilot project just begun by the Immanuel Baptist Church in Louisville may lead to a more creative role for churches in the area of youth rehabilitation.

First aim of the project is to define the needs and interests of young people in troubled inner city areas and to lay the groundwork for the next step: creation and implementation of new techniques that will reflect renewed concern.

Heading up the program is Andrew D. Lester, candidate for the doctor of theology degree at Southern Seminary in Louisville, and pastor of the Buena Vista Baptist Church in Bryansville, K. Lester was appointed as a student missionary by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board at its February board meeting.

Broadmoor Deacons Adopt Resolution

The deacons of the Broadmoor Baptist Church in Jackson Sunday night adopted the following resolution in support of the current movement to defeat proposed efforts to legalize liquor in the state:

WHEREAS, the legalization of the liquor industry and its traffic is a moral issue which is presently confronting the people of Mississippi, and

WHEREAS, evidences indicate that there is a deterioration of moral standards and increased property damage in areas where legalization prevails, and

WHEREAS, the present "black market" tax, with regard to alcoholic beverages, makes the laws of Mississippi contradictory and should be repealed, and

WHEREAS, the ultimate decision will rest with the people of this state, and the legalization of liquor is NOT inevitable, and

WHEREAS, the seriousness of this situation is evident,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Deacons of Broadmoor Baptist Church of Jackson, Mississippi, in official session on February 27, 1966, do hereby unanimously express our opposition to any form of legalization of liquor, and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we endorse the repeal of the "black market" tax and request the strict enforcement of the Prohibition Law;

Southeastern Elects Dean

WAKE FOREST, N. C. (BP)—The board of trustees of Southeastern Seminary meeting here elected Raymond B. Brown as academic dean and approved construction of a new student center building.

Brown, professor of New Testament interpretation since 1964, will assume his new duties as academic dean by Aug. 1, 1966. The seminary faculty had unanimously recommended him to the post.

The board also elected John I. Durham as administrative associate to the president. Durham is currently associate professor of Old Testament at Southeastern.

Rev. Lonnie Ernest is interim pastor at Clear Creek in Marion County.



REPRESENTATIVES from the state Baptist colleges who teach "An Introduction to Baptist Life" as part of the in-service training program for student pastors met for study at Camp Garaywa recently with several other leaders. From left, standing: Dr. Lewis Newman, executive secretary of Association of Baptist Ministers; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary of Association of Baptist Ministers; Dr. Clifford Watson, dean at Clarke College; Therman Bryant, associate in Cooperative Missions Department; Dr. Fox Rogers, secretary, and Rev. Jerry St. John, associate in same department. Seated: Dr. Charles Melton, professor religious education, Clarke College; Dr. Norman O'Neal, head of the department and professor of religious education, Carey College; and Dr. James Travis, professor of Bible, Blue Mountain College.

Mississippi United Drys To Oppose Legal Liquor Efforts

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Jackson, chairman of the committee to organize the county units, said that 50 ministers had gone to every section of the state to help with the organizing.

He said that they had met with enthusiastic response and that every county in the state would likely be organized within a few days.

The United Drys of Mississippi is an outgrowth of a Jackson area United Drys unit established last week for the purpose of defeating the proposed efforts to legalize liquor in the state.

The state organization is a temporary one with plans to make it permanent later, according to a spokesman. Its purpose would be to provide information, education coordination and promote legislation, he continued.

Outstanding leaders in church and business life have offered their services as resource persons to this group. The United Dry organization was the coordinating group that helped to overwhelmingly defeat the liquor referendum in 1952 in Mississippi.

The steering committee selected by the Jackson area United Drys includes:

Steering Committee
Chairman—Dr. Grant
Secretary—Dr. Andrew P. Gaffney, executive secretary, board of Evangelism, the Methodist Church, Mississippi Conference, Jackson; Rev. G. C. Cox, pastor, Hillcrest Baptist Church, Jackson; Rev.

John H. Cook, district superintendent, Jackson District, the Methodist Church; Joe Jack Hurst, chairman of deacons, First Baptist Church, Jackson; Dr. John Reed Miller, pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Jackson; and Dr. J. Clark Hensley, superintendent, Hinds County Baptist Association.

It was reported to the group that authentic current data

would be available through the American Research Foundation, as their research men are making a factual study of Mississippi at the present time. Other reliable sources of materials were announced as available to the group.

Those who wish to make contributions are asked to mail them to: United Drys of Mississippi, P. O. Box 4686, Jackson, Miss.

ADDITIONAL 2c EACH—

State Board Will Give Each Church 200 Tracts

Churches using tracts in the current campaign opposing the proposed efforts to legalize liquor in the state can each get 200 free from the tract office of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer, said that due to the present emergency and the expected heavy demand, it would be necessary to charge 2c per tract beyond the first 200, which would simply pay for the actual cost.

Dr. Quarles also requested that in each county the churches place their request through the United Drys organization rather than directly to the Convention Board.

In this way, Dr. Quarles added, the county organization could make one order for all the churches, which would simplify and expedite the mailing and distribution of the tracts.

Six titles are available in the tract office and churches are requested to list the ones wanted and the number of each with the county board.

Will Abstein
The Adder's Sting.
The Refuge of Lies.
Why Not Get The Revenue?
At Ease In Zion.
We Prefer Not to Drink.

RELIGIOUS MAKEUP OF U.S. CONGRESS IS UNCHANGED

WASHINGTON, D.C. (RNS)

—Despite some changes during the past year due to deaths and resignations, the religious complexion of the 89th Congress has remained relatively stable.

With only two exceptions, denominational totals are the same in the present second session as they were when this Congress began in January, 1965.

The Presbyterians have increased by one, bringing their total in the Senate and the House to 77, while the Episcopalians have lost one place, dropping their total in both houses to 69.

As was true at the beginning of the 1965 session, there are 404 Protestants, 108 Roman Catholics, and 17 Jews, and six congressmen give no designation regarding their religious connections. The figures are based on a

survey of the legislators.

Among the 404 Protestants in both Houses of the present Congress there are two Senators and 13 Representatives who list their affiliation as "protestant" without Church designation. Other denominations are represented as follows:

Methodist, 94; Presbyterian, 77; Episcopal, 69; Baptist, 55; United Church of Christ, 24; Lutheran, 16; Unitarian Universalist, 13; and Disciples of Christ, 10.

Other bodies represented in this Congress are: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon), nine; Churches of Christ, six; Christian Scientists, three; Society of Friends (Quaker), two; Evangelical Free Church, two each; and one each from the Apostolic Christian, Brethren in Christ, Christian Reformed, Cumberland Presbyterian, Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Mission Covenant, Reformed, Seventh Day Baptist and Schwenkfelder Churches.

Cuban Pastors Conscribed Into Service

Ten of the younger pastors in the Eastern Cuba Baptist Convention and eight students of the Baptist seminary in Santiago have been conscripted into government service, a report from Santiago states.

Most of the men do not bear arms but must work on government farms. Included in the group is the Rev. Orlando Colas, executive secretary of the convention. —(EBS).

More than 20 million people participated in the 1965 World-wide Bible Reading program of the American Bible Society, observed annually between Thanksgiving and Christmas. A lonely Marine on Guadalcanal spotted the program 23 years ago when he wrote, asking his parents to read a particular passage of Scripture at a prearranged time.

3 Houseparties Ready For YWA

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pan; Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Lambright and Mrs. C. W. Applewhite, missionaries to Indonesia.

Featured speakers at the Gulfshore meeting will be Mrs. W. M. Clawson, missionary to Mexico; Miss Attis Sellers Baptist Home and Adoption Center, New Orleans, and Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Mefford, of Philadelphia, missionaries to the Choctaw Indians in Mississippi.

Baptist YWA members from every section of the state will be in attendance at one of the two meetings.

The theme for each of the meetings will be "Proclaim to Every People." Mrs. R. B. Gandy, of the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home in Monroe, will direct the music for both meetings.

Each houseparty will begin with supper at 5:30 on Friday and close at noon Sunday.

A statewide Houseparty for career girls will be held at Gulfshore Assembly May 13-15, with the program to be announced later.

A shipment of Revised Standard Version Bibles has been sent to Vietnam by the Massachusetts Bible Society in Boston. The Bibles will be distributed by United States military chaplains in Vietnam.

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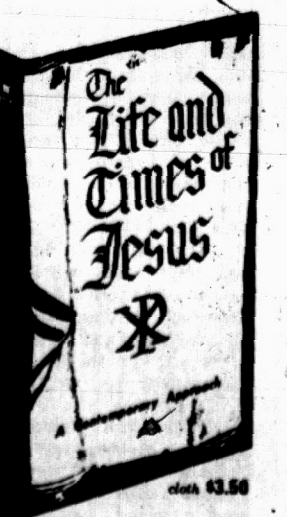
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SBC Membership 10,772,712

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the total at the denominational processing and tabulating stage.

Educational ministry enrollments were as follows:
Sunday School, 7,659,638; a decrease of 11,527;

Training Union (Sunday evening study group for all ages), 2,610,187, a decrease of 11,842;

Brotherhood (men's missions organization) and Royal Ambassadors (boys' missions organization), 483,219, a decrease of 120,477;

Woman's Missionary Union (and missions organizations for children, girls and women), 1,469,739, a decrease of 39,745;

No True Change Seen
And music ministry programs (all ages), 872,186, a

decrease of 51,885.
Bradley pointed out that comparison of the 1965 enrollment figures with 1964 totals does not indicate a true change since different processes were used in tabulating the figures.

"The difference represents the combined effect of a sizable downward adjustment (due to revised procedure) in 1965, and an unknown 'real' change (increase or decrease)," Bradley added.

Vacation Bible School enrollment, not involved in the processing change, climbed to a record total of 3,394,953. There were 29,883 Bible schools reported, also a new record.

The statistical report also reflected an increase of 409 churches in the denomination

to a record 33,797 total number of congregations.

The 409 increase includes a total of 228 "inactive" churches, a total not included until 1965. Bradley said that "inactive" refers to those churches still affiliated with the convention, but which have not submitted a report for three or more years. Previously these churches were not included in the statistical report.

The 33,797 churches are located in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, and are affiliated with 29 Baptist state conventions and 1,184 different associations.

The Southern Baptist Convention's statistical year does not coincide with the calendar year, but is defined as ending in September.

Summary of 1965 Southern Baptist Convention Statistics

	1965	1964	Numerical Change
Associations	1,184	1,183	1
Churches	33,797	33,388	409
Baptisms	361,634	374,418	-12,784
Additions by Letter	547,316	567,679	-20,363
Total Membership	10,772,712	10,001,515	177,197
Vacation Bible School Enrol.	3,394,953	3,233,401	161,552
Value Church Property	\$3,080,663,120	\$2,964,380,965	\$116,282,155
Total Gifts	\$637,956,846	\$591,587,681	\$46,370,865
Mission Gifts	\$106,743,844	\$100,164,740	\$6,579,204
Sunday School Enrol.	7,659,638**	7,671,165**	-11,527**
Training Union Enrol.	2,610,187**	2,722,029**	-111,842**
W.M.U. Enrol.*	1,469,739**	1,509,484**	-39,745**
Brotherhood and R.A. Enrol.	483,219**	603,696**	-120,477**
Music Ministry Enrol.	872,186**	923,871**	-51,685**

*Includes college and hospital Y.W.A.'s as well as statistics for churches.

**The 1965 enrollment figure is not comparable to that for previous years. Enrollments for 1964 and preceding years were inflated to an unknown extent due to procedures used in processing incomplete reports of churches. The comparison of the 1965 figure with that of 1964 does not, therefore, indicate a true change. Rather, the difference in the two years figures represents the combined effect of a sizable downward adjustment (due to revised procedure) in the 1965 figure and an unknown "real" change (increase or decrease).

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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

Missions In America

Once again Southern Baptists come to the annual observance of a Week of Prayer for Home Missions. Although this effort is sponsored by Woman's Missionary Union, this should be a time when every Southern Baptist would become concerned about the needs of our own land. By means of prayer and gifts through the Annie Armstrong Offering, every member of every church can participate in this missionary endeavor.

Home missions is that portion of the Southern Baptist world mission program being done in the 50 states, and in Panama and Cuba. It is administered by the Home Mission Board, located in Atlanta, Ga., and which now employs more than 2,500 missionaries.

Only a few years ago many were saying that the home mission task was practically complete, since churches had been established almost everywhere that Southern Baptists were working. It was then that the Lord led the convention to see that all of America needed Christ, and that vast areas were beckoning for Southern Baptists to move in with a dynamic witness of Christ. Since that day, the convention's home mission program has been making tremendous expansion year by year, and, today, more doors are open, and there are greater needs and opportunities, than ever before in Southern Baptist history.

The Home Mission Board must receive adequate funds if it is to meet this 20th century challenge. These funds come mainly from two sources, the Cooperative Program and the Annie Armstrong offering.

Every Southern Baptist can have an extra share in the Board's witness to America by having a worthy part in this special mission offering being taken this month.

Dry Forces Organize

Mississippi dry forces are getting set for a drive to prevent legalization of liquor in the state.

A state United Drys organization was formed last week. Outstanding Christian leaders from different de-

nominations, both preacher and laymen, participated in formation of the group, and are now directing its work.

The new organization already has launched a drive to set up local dry organizations in every county in the state. The purpose of the whole movement is to give the people the true facts concerning the liquor issue, and to enlist all dries to be ready to vote against legalized liquor, in the event that there should be a referendum.

This movement deserves the support of every person in the state who is against liquor. Christian leaders in every county, immediately should rally forces to form a cooperating organization. If such action already has been taken, Christians will do well to support it.

Of course, it is not at this time a certainty that there will be a referendum, since the legislature seems to be reluctant fully to accept the governor's proposals, and there is no assurance that he will not veto anything else. However, if a referendum does come, the dries need to be ready.

That is exactly what the United Drys now are seeking to do.

Southern Baptist Advance

Worthy Goals And Challenging Programs

Southern Baptists have made their most spectacular and far-reaching advances at times when they have set great programs and goals for themselves. Slogans of some of the programs of the past fifty years remind us of that.

"The Seventy-Five Million Campaign"

"Debt Free in '43"

"Simultaneous Revivals—1950, 1951"

"A Million More in '54"

The Seventy-five Million Campaign was one of the greatest programs of mission advance, ever attempted by any denomination in Christian history. It fired the minds of the people, and aroused the churches. The response was glorious, and more than \$93,000,000 was pledged. Even though depression in the mid-twenties kept many of the pledges from being paid, the convention gave more for missions in that period, than it had given in the entire 74 years of its

previous history. Moreover, this was the beginning of the convention's advance in mission support.

"Debt Free in '43" was a drive to eliminate all depression-spawned debts in one final effort. What rejoicing there was across the convention when the last dollar was paid.

"Simultaneous Revivals" of 1950 and 1951, were held west of the Mississippi River in the first year, and east of that line in the last year. Never has there been a more effective simultaneous revival effort than were these. Thousands of churches participated, and hundreds of thousands of persons were saved.

"A Million More in '54" was the drive to enroll one million new Sunday school pupils in the year 1954. A man in another denomination said at the time "Only Southern Baptists would have the audacity to attempt such a goal." The goal was not reached, but more than 700,000 persons were enrolled—a number far, far greater than reached in any year before or since. Baptisms were higher for the next several years because of this tremendous effort.

Do not Southern Baptists need some challenging new goal today? Do they not need to set for themselves a program, so tremendous, and so challenging, that it will catch the imagination of the people, and stir the churches? Is not the Holy Spirit ready to lead the denomination in doing something more far-reaching in its witness than anything ever before attempted?

What will such a program be? Perhaps the continental Baptist revival now planned for the America's in 1969 is the answer. Or maybe we need to set great new goals in Bible teaching or other enlistment. Or some dramatic advance in stewardship.

We are not suggesting a program, but we are convinced that Southern Baptists need some great challenge right now. They are a people with a mighty potential for doing great things for God. They will advance for God when challenged and led to do so.

The need for today is for the program of William Carey: "Attempt great things for God; expect great things from God."

When the going seems easy, it could be that you are going down hill. John Maverick, The Cherryvale (Kans.) Republican.

Sam says it's getting so bad that all a man can put aside for a rainy day is a pair of dry socks. C. U. Weakley, Town and Country (Pensburg, Penna.)

It's easy to make a mountain out of a molehill—just add a little more dirt.



The use of advertising to combat alcohol problems is being promoted by a non-profit corporation, Smart Set International. Industrialist Robert K. Squire of Los Angeles founded the corporation which has built a campaign around the idea that "non-drinking pays." Believing that the advertising technique which are used to promote liquor can be used to discourage it, Mr. Squire developed a plan which encourages "public-minded men and women" to get behind such advertising in their own community newspapers.

Unemployment is down to 4.1%, according to the Council of Economic Advisers, and this level should reach 3.34% before the year is over.

According to highway safety expert Dr. Frederick J. Gaudet, (interviewed in January 30, 1966 issue of *This Week*) 105,000 people died of accidents in 1964, the latest recorded year. Another 10,200,000 were disabled. For Americans between the ages of 1 and 37, accidents are the leading cause of death. In all age groups combined, accidents rank fourth after heart disease, cancer, and strokes.

"One of the worst conspiracies ever foisted upon the American people" is what Senator Russell Long of Louisiana said about a worldwide cartel to fix the prices of certain antibiotics commonly called "wonder drugs." According to Long, price-fixing in the drug market has caused consumers to pay "grossly inflated and unconscionably high prices" for these products.

A check of one-car fatal accidents in Chicago discovered that 76% of the dead drivers had been drinking.

"Our earth is degenerate; bribery and corruption are common; children no longer obey their parents; every man wants to write his memoirs; and the end of the world is evidently approaching" — Words impressed on a clay tablet by an Assyrian 48 centuries ago, recently dug up in Turkey.

Calendar of Prayer
(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

March 7—Edna Burton, staff, Children's Village; Mary Ellen Rives, staff, Children's Village.

March 8—John McGraw, faculty, Carey College; J. B. Costlow, Baptist student director, Clarke College.

March 9—Joe Baker, faculty, Clarke College; Floyd Turner, Union County association Brotherhood president.

March 10—Mrs. Owen Cooper, vice - president, state WMU; Kathryn Bearden, Baptist student director, Gilroy School of Nursing.

March 11—Bryant Cummings, Baptist Building; W. P. Davis, Baptist Building.

March 12—Mrs. W. H. Brown, faculty, Blue Mountain College; N. W. Carpenter, Jr., faculty, Mississippi College.

March 13—Maurice E. Flowers, Jr., superintendent of missions, Bolivar County; L. F. Haire, superintendent of missions, Calhoun County.

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PERSPECTIVE

Robert J. Hastings

Steeple People

Church-goers get called a lot of names. Some are complimentary, others are not. They are labeled the Lord's people, pew-warmers, hypocrites, church people, Sunday Christians, the tolerant, non-baptarians, worshippers, the flock, and what not.

But the label I like best is "steeple people." Church-goers assemble because they want a lift, an inspiration, a vision. As their eyes follow the slender finger of a church spire heavenward, so their spirits soar above the affairs of everyday life.

Too, steeple people enjoy being with each other. Just as a fire burns only with two or more logs, so steeple people need each other to kindle the warmth of Christian fellowship. Singly, they splutter, freeze, and die.

"The impact threw me out into the snow. There was a terrible blizzard. Within minutes, our heads were covered with half an inch of solid ice. I found nine parachutes, and made sleeping bags." So testified Capt. Thomas D. Smith after rescue from Mt. Helmos in Southern Greece, where his C-47 crashed in early January. "But my fingers were soon frozen stiff. They were like rocks. There was another officer. He and I cuddled each other like a mother and child until both our hands and feet were warm."

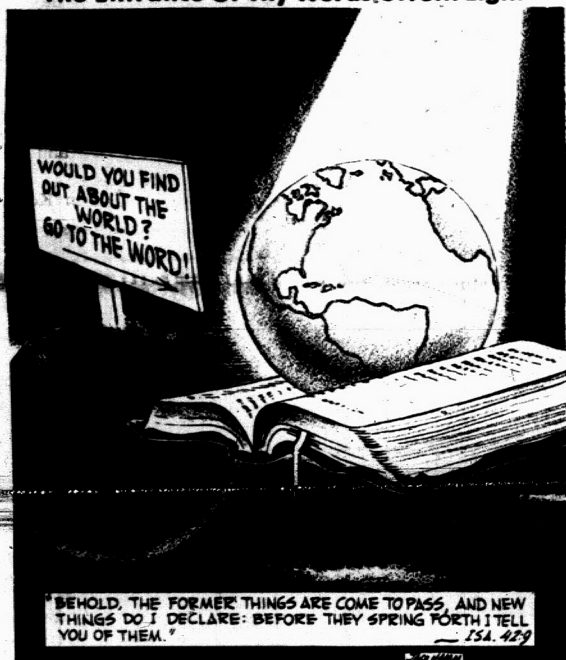
Alone, each would have died. Together, they shared their bodily warmth and lived. Steeple people, chilled with the blizzards of materialism and worldliness and loneliness, share their faith and doubts, their love and fears. And in so doing, steeple people, chilled with the blizzards of materialism and worldliness and loneliness, share their faith and doubts, their love and fears. And in so doing, steeple people return home with their hearts warmed and their sights lifted.

World Jewish Population Set At 13,887,000

NEW YORK (EP) — Figures compiled here by the Jewish Congress show there now are 13,887,000 Jews, with nearly 6 million living in North America.

Other areas of largest Jewish population, according to the Congress' Institute of Jewish Affairs, are the Soviet Union, with 3 million, and Israel, 2,275,000.

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BAPTIST BELIEFS

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THE GREAT WHITE THRONE

This is found in Revelation 20:11-15. Some see this as one of several judgments which will come at the end of the age. This author regards it as one of several pictures of final judgment (cf. Matt. 25:31-46; Rom. 14:10; II Cor. 5:10; Heb. 9:27). "Great" added to the throne pictures in Revelation 4:4 and 20:4 suggests finality of judgment. And Senate notes that "the absolute purity of this Supreme Court is symbolized by the colour of the Throne."

Note that God the Father is on the throne (20:12), but Christ is pictured elsewhere as sitting in judgment with the Father (cf. Matt. 25:31ff.; Jn. 5:22; Acts 17:31; II Cor. 5:10; II Tim. 4:1). "... the dead, small and great, stand before God..." (v.12). Not the righteous dead or the unrighteous dead, but "the dead, small and great..." All will be there (v.13; cf. Dan. 12:2; Jn. 5:29; Acts 24:15).

Note that "the books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life..." (author's italics). The "book of life" has already been mentioned (Rev. 3:5; 13:8; 17:8). This is the book in which are written the names of all who have believed in Jesus as their Saviour. No mention is made of anyone being judged out of this book. But those whose names are not written in it will be cast into the lake of fire (v.15). By implication those whose names are written in the book of life will go

into eternal bliss. They have already been judged and justified in Christ. But the point to note is that the final judgment will not determine whether one goes to heaven or hell. That has already been determined. The believers' names are written in this book the moment that they believe in Jesus. Thus eternal life is sealed for them. By their refusal to believe in Jesus the unbelievers' names are not written in this book. And at death it becomes a fixed and final state.

The judgment is out of "the books" (v.12). And this involves the righteous and the unrighteous ("the dead"). These books contain the record of the deeds of all men. Even of the Christian Paul says, "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad" (II Cor. 5:10). Salvation is not by works (cf. Eph. 2:8-10). So this judgment is not to determine one's eternal abode in heaven or in hell. It will be a judgment with respect to reward or punishment. The Bible teaches degrees of reward and punishment in heaven and hell respectively (cf. Matt. 25:14ff.; Lk. 12:47f.). The Christian will be rewarded according to his works (cf. I Cor. 3:12-15). The lost will be punished in degrees as to his works. But both reward and punishment will be eternal respectively.

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So the Great White Throne Judgment will not arbitrarily determine the final state of each individual. It will reveal the evidence at hand. It will declare that which will already be a reality. And its declaration will be final.

The Bible contains no teaching as to soul annihilation or a second chance. "To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts..." (Heb. 3:7)

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and became the youngest college president at 28. (He is president of Canada's Winnipeg Bible Institute and College of Theology.)

THE VOICE FROM THE CROSS by Andrew W. Blackwood, Jr. (Baker, paperback, 71 pp., \$1.00)

Sermons on the seven words from the cross, by the pastor of First Presbyterian Church, West Palm Beach, Florida.

WILDFIRE: CHURCH GROWTH IN KOREA by Roy E. Shearer (Wm. B. Eerdmans, paperback, 242 pp., \$2.95)

Case study of missionary activity in Korea by the Presbyterian and other major denominations, with consideration given to the religious, social, political, and geographical situation affecting church growth.

TWO WORLDS: CHRISTIANITY AND COMMUNISM by James D. Bales, (Standard, paperback, 128 pp., \$1.25)

A study of two "worlds" in conflict.

The Baptist Forum

Gratitude For Christian Influence

Dear Dr. Odle:

For some time I have felt a desire to express some thoughts in memory of a Christian woman who had a very great influence in my life. Perhaps they will be words appropriate in praise of others who have served humbly and conscientiously in a smaller sphere of influence than those spiritual giants in our state who are so well known because of a wider sphere of influence. I would not mention their names for fear of omitting some. Behind each of these and, indeed each Christian, there is one whose influence and name is not as widely known and felt.

Susie Mason, a member of Bissell Church in Lee county for many years and at the time of her death a member of Longview church in Pontotoc county, was such a person.

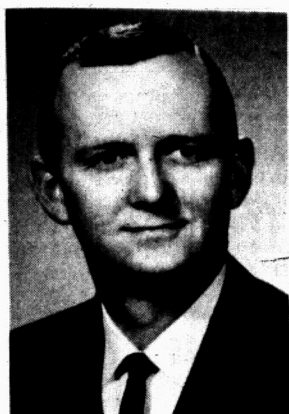
Her influence was certainly felt in her home. Left with five small children and a very meager income, she fed,

clothed, educated and provided a spiritual atmosphere for them. The oldest son is pastoring in Mississippi. A daughter is teaching school while her preacher-husband finishes seminary at New Orleans. Another son has recently surrendered to the ministry and the two youngest are working their way through college.

Her influence was felt in her church. She bubbled over with the joy of her Christian experience. She proved that circumstances cannot alter character. She made God real to others because He was real to her. When cancer brought pain and intense suffering, her radiant Christian personality revealed the depth of her Christian experience.

This is about the Susie I knew, but is in commemoration of those "Susies" in our state who through their lives have made us more conscious of the potential of a life surrendered to His will. May there always be "Susies" both men and women through whom the will of God can be revealed to a sinful world.

Ken Pickens
Pastor, Mt. Zion Church
Rankin County



NASHVILLE — BROOKS FAULKNER on Jan. 4 joined the staff of the Sunday School Board's church administration department as a consultant with major responsibilities in the area of church public relations. Faulkner is a graduate of Southeast Missouri State College, and Southern Seminary, Louisville. He went to the Board from Faith Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky., where he had been pastor since May 1965.

IT BEGAN IN BILOXI—

Missionaries Teach Bible Class In Vietnam

By Lewis and Toni Myers
Missionaries To Vietnam

Foundations are always important. Whether one builds a house, a reputation, a character or a Christian witness, the way of beginning is very important. In August we (Lewis, Toni, Michael — 10, Laura — 7, Margaret — 6, & Gary — 3) moved to the coastal city of DaNang to begin our Baptist work here.

DaNang is a refugee-crowded, war-torn, military-saturated, noisy, bustling city of 300,000 strategically located as the focal point of supply for the American and Vietnamese fighting forces in the Northern one-third of South Vietnam. The mayor recently stated that the population had risen from 140,000-145,000

to almost 300,000 in a little over one year. Refugee resettlement huts — some of thatch with no sides, others with metal roofs and bamboo walls, still others of canvas or less — spring up by the dozens every day as the backlash of war in the provinces reaches our town. Inflation has set in and prices have doubled in the six months that we have been here. The people, for the first time, are feeling the pinch of conflict in the scarcity of food and the exorbitant prices.

Military Men

The faces of the American military men — Marines particularly — tell a story of youth grown all before its time. Fuzzy-cheeked young men who should be dressed

in the tab collar and herringbone of some university campus find themselves battle-worn and combat-hardened before they reach 20. And their eyes show killing — particularly killing in hand to hand combat. One fine young man (Gary Garner from Tampa, Fla.) says "In our outfit we will all feel lucky if we get off with the loss of an arm or leg — we all pray that we will not lose our eyes — many men have lost their hearing already — our KIA (killed in action) ratio is real high." Gary is on the crew of medical evacuation helicopters.

For Toni making new beginnings means not only assisting in the opening of evangelistic work here, but also in teaching the three older chil-

dren. Michael (5th) seems to be studying things we didn't get to until we were in college. Laura (2nd) breezes through each day wide-eyed about every new fact. Margaret (1st) acts as if she had been going to school all her life. She never gets too perturbed about anything, but adores reading. Gray is the official flag bearer for the morning opening exercise of the pledge to the flag and the National Anthem.

Foundation Begun in Biloxi

Foundations were being laid to our beginning in DaNang before we were actually aware of it. Through the arrangements of Miss Louise Cartledge and Rev. Schuyler Batson of the First Baptist Church in Biloxi, a special

class for young Vietnamese airmen studying at Keesler Air Force Base was organized for a time when Lewis was to be there. These 20 airmen were later entertained in the Batson home and more time was given to conversation. No names and addresses were recorded because future assignments were indefinite. After returning to Vietnam, Toni was buying some cookies in a shop in Saigon and two young men greeted her in good English. She asked if they had been to the States and they replied that they had been at Keesler. She said, "Oh, my husband spoke Biloxi this year." One of the young men said, "You must mean Mr. Myers at First Baptist Church—I was there."

Later they came to visit at length and Mr. Luy, one of the young men, had just received his assignment. Where? DaNang Air Force Base. Our first Bible class, and our introduction to the type of witness we would try to carry on here, was in the home of Airman Luy—a foundation begun in First Baptist Church of Biloxi, Miss.

As fast as one door closes to our work here because of the intensity of the war, the Lord of the harvest opens others. The war does not increase our obligation to share the gospel in Vietnam, but it certainly adds an increased note of urgency to "get the message out." How we pray that this can be done through all of us.

Appointees Study To Become "Pros"

"You're going to be pros at this business — not pros just because you are paid, but because you are people who say, 'I'm going to start out now to learn all I can about my work.'"

With this prediction, Dr. Jesse C. Fletcher, secretary for missionary personnel for the Foreign Mission Board, plunged 60 new Southern Baptist missionaries and prospective missionaries into a week of intensive preparation for the assignments, adjustments, and cultural shock which await them overseas.

The 60-44 who have already been appointed by the Board for career missionary service, three who have been employed for short-term service, and 13 who have been approved for appointment during the spring months—were participants in an orientation conference, held by the Board in Richmond, Va., January 18-25.

Their studies were grouped in five units: personal, environmental, organizational, methods, and spiritual. In lectures, question-answer sessions, small group discussions, and personal conversations with the faculty, they faced potential problems ranging from ways to develop indigenous Christian organizations overseas to how to cope with tensions of family life in a strange and isolated situation. The general theme, quipped one missionary candidate, might have been "how to be happy even though a missionary."

The faculty included 32 fulfilling missionaries; a number of Foreign Mission Board staff members; Mrs. Jean Dickinson, clinical psychologist with the University of Richmond; Dr. Myron C. Madden, chaplain of Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, La.; and Dr. E. Luther Copeland, professor of missions at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C., and former missionary to Japan, who conducted a session on "Facing Communism."

Dr. Fletcher warned the new missionaries that the conference was merely one phase of their greater orientation. "Much of the process must be worked out in dialogue with the circumstances in which the Lord leads you," he said. "All we can do here is try to launch you in what we hope will be lifelong study."

Formal orientation, he explained, is designed to give an understanding of basic principles, goals, and relationships, thus creating a frame of reference for coping with unique problems that all arise overseas — for, he said, the Board has no "thick manual" outlining procedure for all occasions.

At a fellowship service which closed the conference the new missionaries were given Bibles in the languages of the people to whom they expect to minister. (These were gifts of the American Bible Society.)



PRESIDENTIAL PRAYER BREAKFAST—WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Johnson and Evangelist Billy Graham bow their heads in prayer at the 14th annual Presidential Prayer Breakfast in the nation's capital. (RNS Photo)

A Matter Of Identification

"MasterControl" Vignette
By James L. Pleits, Pastor
First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida

At the close of the First World War the French government faced an unusual problem. Many soldiers had been shell-shocked and were suffering from amnesia and their identity was unknown. Several attempts were made to get information about them and finally as a last resort a huge public rally was staged at which these men appeared. You can imagine the tense excitement as one by one these pathetic figures stepped to the microphone, looked about hopefully and said, "Please, please, can anyone tell me who I am?"

There are a lot of people in our world today who do not know who they are. Until we find the answer to this question, life remains a riddle. Is life indeed a tale told by an idiot-full of sound and fury, signifying nothing?

Who am I?
The Bible declares that I

am a creature created in the image of God. In this man is unique. Nothing else in all creation is said to be created in the image of God. The Psalmist said, "Thou hast made man a little lower than the angels." This is quite a statement. If you really want to see something of your potential, read this same verse in the Revised Standard Version. Here it is translated, "Thou hast made man a little lower than God."

Jesus spent a great deal of time telling people who they were. He saw them not simply as they were but as they could become. He never talked down to people. He always looked for the best in their lives.

James Craft, the famous manufacturer of cheese, was also an ardent collector of jade. On one occasion he took a friend down into his basement to see his collection. As far as the man could tell there was nothing unusual about the rocks. They just looked like any other rocks to him. Mr. Craft then walked over and turned off the lights. As he did so he turned on an ultraviolet light. An amazing transformation took place. The rocks were turned into gems of indescribable beauty.

To the eyes of many, your life may appear as common as an ordinary rock, but to the discerning eye of Jesus, the potential in your life is unlimited. You are created in the image of God. Through the acceptance of Jesus Christ as Saviour, your life can be changed. Your life can be made a thing of indescribable beauty if you will but allow God to have His way in it. The Bible says, "To as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the Sons of God even to them who believe on His name."

Pastors, Deacons Meet In Finland

There were 60 participants in a conference for pastors and deacons of the Swedish-language Baptist Union of Finland in Vasa January 16.

"When a person says he has a well-trained conscience, he usually means it obeys him."

Korean WMU Ladies Gives "Holy Rice"

Baptist women's organizations in Korea have a goal not known in stateside Woman's Missionary Unions — 100 percent participation in the giving of "holy rice."

Each morning before the women prepare rice for their families, they set aside a small portion, explains Mrs. Rollo M. Bradley, Southern Baptist missionary. On Sunday they take this rice to church. Then it either is sold or given to the pastor to supplement his small salary.

The giving of "holy rice" was one of the WMU goals taught in a recent study course held in a Korean village church. Led by Mrs. Pang Ho Sun, of Wonju, the women met for four days to study and worship, some of them coming twice a day for four miles across streams, rice paddies, and hills. (Mrs. Pang had walked from Wonju, carrying teaching materials, film projector, and her personal baggage.)

As is customary in Korea,

the days began with prayer meeting. The darkness was broken at five each morning by the lamps of women wending their way from surrounding villages.

The women breakfasted together and had Bible study and worship during the morning. Dismissed for the afternoon, they gathered for another session each evening. At this time husbands, children, and unbelieving friends brought attendance to around 100 (the church has fewer than 30 members).

The evening program included instruction for "newcomers" (non-Christians), the showing of a "holy movie," Bible study from Philippians, and study of Christian doctrine and Woman's Missionary Union methods.

During the four days of meetings, 10 persons accepted Christ as Saviour. Mrs. Pang feels that she "received much grace" as she ministered to the villagers.

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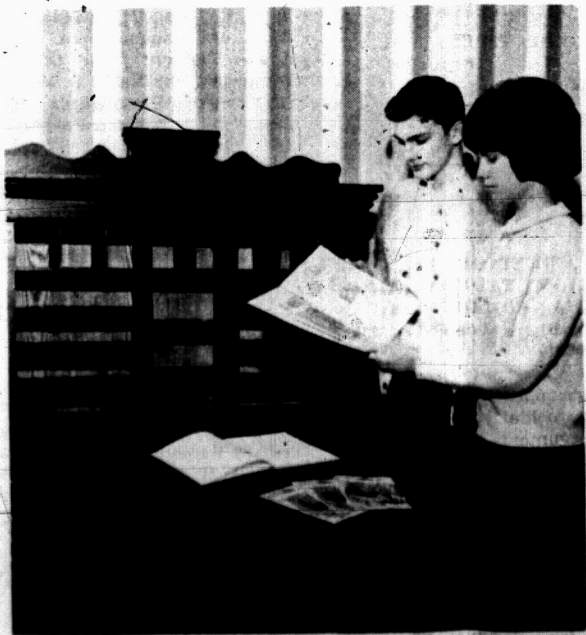
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WHAT WERE YOUNG PEOPLE INTERESTED IN, BACK IN 1866? On the 100th anniversary of "Kind Words," the first Southern Baptist publication for children and youth, these teenagers compare an original copy of the first issue with the February issue of "Upward," a monthly magazine for high school youth. "Upward," "Adventure" (for juniors), and "Story-time" (for primaries and beginners) are direct descendants of "Kind Words." In fact, each of these publications of the Sunday School Board's Sunday school department bears the words "Kind Words Series—Founded 1866."—BSSB Photo

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Sunday Reports

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FESTIVAL CO-ORDINATOR
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Minister of Music
First Baptist Church
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SCHEDULE

9:45 a.m. — 10:30 a.m.	Registration
10:30 a.m. — 10:45 a.m.	Seating
10:45 a.m. — 12:00 noon	Rehearsal
12:00 noon — 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m. — 1:45 p.m.	Rehearsal
1:45 p.m. — 2:00 p.m.	Break
2:00 p.m. — 2:15 p.m.	Warm-up
2:15 p.m. — 2:30 p.m.	MASS CHOIR CONCERT

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Memorize all music. No music will be used in the afternoon concert.
2. Concession stands will be open only for popcorn and cold drinks. Choirs are encouraged to bring sack lunches and remain on the grounds during the lunch hour.
3. Parking space is free.
4. There will be no adjudication.
5. Pre-registration forms enclosed.
6. Suggested dress: Girls—white blouses and dark skirts. Boys—white shirts and dark trousers.

ANNOUNCING THE SECOND ANNUAL SUMMER STUDENT MUSIC PROGRAM

The Church Music Department is conducting a Student Music Program again this summer. Selected music students primarily from Baptist schools will assist churches and associations with their Music Ministry during the summer months. The program is designed to meet the music needs of any church, large or small.

The student workers will conduct schools of music, teach private lessons, and help start Music Ministries.

A brochure explaining the program is now available to pastors, music directors, and associational leaders. Write to the Church Music Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

"Federal aid is giving yourself a transfusion by drawing blood from your right arm, returning it to your left—and spilling 90 per cent on the way across." Fred W. Grown, The Bergen (N. J.) Citizen.

Rev. Leon D. Wall, superintendent of missions for Quittman and Tallahatchie Associations, president of the Clarke College Alumni Association, announces that a series of district meetings of the Alumni will be held in selected areas this spring.

Places, chairmen of the special meetings and dates are as follows: Meridian, Rev. Wendell Gilmore, March 28; Clarksdale, Rev. L. D. Wall, March 31; Tupelo, Rev. Harold Wilder, April 1; Laurel, Rev. Harold Ishee, April 11; Greenville, John Allen Collier, April 28.

The purpose of the meetings, as stated by President Wall, is to encourage maximum support for the college from the alumni, especially in regard to assistance with the forthcoming construction of the Fine Arts Building of the college.

Mr. Wall said that Plans for area meetings in other parts of the state next fall would be announced soon.



Rev. Leon D. Wall
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BIBLE MESSAGES: Dr. Robert Naylor, President, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

*OLD TESTAMENT: Dr. Howard P. Colson, Director Editorial Division, Sunday School Department, Nashville, Tennessee.

*NEW TESTAMENT: Dr. William E. Hull, Associate Professor of New Testament Interpretation, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

*Question and Answer Period With Each of these Messages.

MUSIC: The Ed Stalneck Music Team. (Bette, Ed, Carol and David Tyson).

Sunday School Attendance Additions To The Church Training Union Attendance

February 27, 1966	
Aberdeen, 1st	131
Belmont, Calvary	108
Brookhaven, 1st	251
Bruce, 1st	110
Cleveland	86
Morrison Chapel	123
Columbus	162
Fairview	127
Columbus, 1st	201
Concord (Noxubee)	39
Crystal Springs, 1st	155
Grenada, 1st	200
Gulfport, 1st	218
Greenwood, North	136
Handsham	170
Hattiesburg, Central	150
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave	123
Houston, 1st	142
Jackson	147
Robinson Street	185
West Jackson	185
Midway	185
Alta Woods	185
Crestwood	185
Raymond Road	185
Briarwood Drive	185
Brookmoor	185
Highland	185
Parkhill	185
Daniel	185
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Mission	185
Vin Winkle	185
Southside	185
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Woodland Hills	185
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Maine	185
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Kosciusko, Parkway	185
Laurel	185
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Wildwood	185
Magnolia St	185
Plainway	185
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Long Beach, 1st	185
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Pine Springs Man	185
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(Rankin)	185
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Vicksburg, 1st	185



BELDEN CHURCH SUNDAY school members above have perfect attendance records for five years and over: Sandra Dickerson, seven years; Patty Dickerson, seven years; Mrs. Joe Dickerson, five years; Reeta Dickerson, six years; Mrs. Billy Roper, five years; Tony Roper, eight years; Bill Roper, five years.

Training Union

NEW ADULT AID AVAILABLE

"Guidelines For Adults," a new aid for adult unions, will be available soon, according to Bill Latham, Director of Adult work.

This programming and promotional aid will help adult unions design their course of study on the basis of their interests and needs. It will offer publicity aids to help enlist adult participation.

One of the most useful features of Guidelines For Adults will be suggestions for posters, mimeo tracings, and written and oral announcements. There will also be suggestions for evaluating and improving the work of adult unions. This booklet is available free to adult unions and general and department officers by requesting it from the Training Union Department, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

Woodville Church Promotes Gulfshore

A report from each age group and a missionary challenge from the pastor highlight an annual service at the Woodville Baptist Church each summer when the group returns from Training Union Week at Gulfshore. Pastor O. B. Beverly states, "When the people leave the church each one feels that he has spent some time at Gulfshore. Each year new recruits are gained for the following year."

A goal of 50 for this year has already been set for the Woodville church. Plans began early in January to secure commitment from those who plan to attend. The first objective is to secure at least two adults workers in each department. Then by various publicity media plans for Woodville Week at Gulfshore are made known to the church at large.

Rosedale Creates Study Record

With a resident church membership of 212, there were 190 study course awards requested during the church year 1964-65 for the First Baptist Church, Rosedale, according to Mrs. Harry Adcock, Training Union Director.

The church utilized the Honor Church Program which required study course awards equal to the Training Union enrollment. During the summer the church leadership realized that they had already far exceeded the number they needed for the church then reported a Training Union enrollment of 90. At that time they set their sights on equalling their church membership and fell only thirteen short.

According to Mrs. Adcock, with the exception of January Bible study most of the study course work was done through Training Union special studies and home study.

MAN FALLS TO DEATH IN ELEVATOR

Books Selected For Library Week Promotion

NASHVILLE — Twelve Broadman Press books and eight from other publishers will receive special promotion by the Sunday School Board during National Library Week — Church Library Emphasis April 17-23.

Book selection committee chairman Richard E. Kornmeyer of the church library department reported these titles:

Adult books from Broadman Press: "Biblical Backgrounds" by J. McKee Adams, revised by Joseph A. Callaway; "Shields of Brass" by C. Roy Angell; "4 Seasons Party and Banquet Book" by Adelle Carlson; "The Other Dimension" by Ralph L. Murray; "Seven First Words of Jesus" by J. Winston Pearce; and "Go Home and Tell" by Bertha Smith.

Broadman books for children and youth: "New Boy Next Door" by Barbara Bates; "The Shoe Leather Globe: A Life of William Carey" by Saxon Rowe Carver; "Bart's Wild World" by Ella Mae Charlton; "Miss Strong Arm: The Story of Annie Armstrong" by Jacqueline Durham; "A Bible Dictionary for Young Readers" by William N. McElrath; and "With Patrick Henry's Help" by Helen A. Monsell.

Books for adults from other publishers: "The Four Translation New Testament" by Bill Glass; "The Adventure of Living" by Paul Tourner; and "Ten Fingers for God" by Dorothy Clarke Wilson.

Other publishers' books for youth and children: "The Little Boy and the Birthdays" by Helen E. Buckley; "The Big Road" by Tom E. Clarke; "In the Middle of the Night" by Adele Lucia Fisher; and "I Think I Will Go To The Hospital" by Jean Tamburine.

DALLAS (BP)—Doyle Berry, 33, plunged 13 floors to his death when he fell from the top of an elevator while performing routine elevator maintenance in the 511 North Akard Building, home of the Southern Baptist Annuity Board.

Berry and co-worker C. B. Covington, 32 both employees of the Hunter-Hayes Elevator Company, were shortening cables on the elevator at the 15th floor level when the mishap occurred.

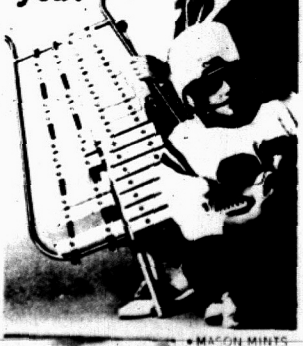
The elevator, its six hoisting cables removed for shortening, snapped an anchoring chain holding it, and dropped less than two floors, a company official said.

D. J. Nemitz, general service manager for Hunter-Hayes, said the automatic safety devices stopped the car after the short fall from the 15th floor after the chain snapped.

Nemitz said that during the time the car was going down, Berry was on top of it, either lost his balance or was hit by the chain and hoisting mechanism, causing him to fall the remaining distance to the elevator pit.

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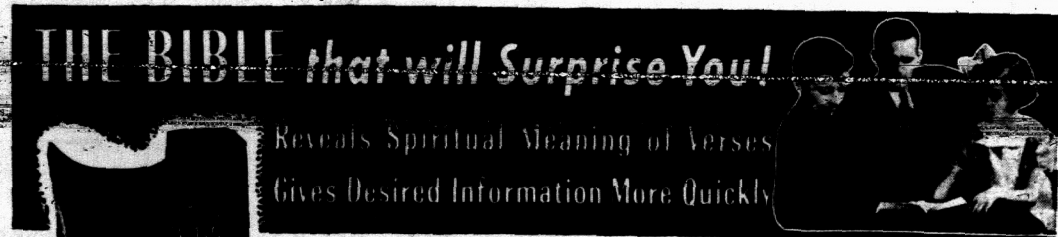
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In Appreciation Of Dr. Breazeale

Raymond Church has adopted a resolution of appreciation for Dr. Jerry Breazeale, who served as their pastor for three years, but recently resigned to accept the pastorate of First Church, Bogalusa, La.

The document stated that Dr. Breazeale "has preached the gospel of Jesus Christ as recorded in God's inspired Word; has led the church in a renewed vision of missions, home and foreign; and has been more than pastor — he has been teacher, counselor, and friend; and during his ministry the church has grown in Christian spirit and witness."



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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON— Man's Communion With God

By Clifton J. Allen

Psalm 116; Luke 11:1-13;
John 14:15-17; 15:1-7;
Hebrews 4:14-16; 1 John 1:1-4

God's intention for man was unbroken communion with his Creator. Man's disobedience broke that communion. This is what sin is—a broken relationship with God. But redemption is the restoration of that relationship, so that the Christian is brought again into vital communion with the Heavenly Father.

The Lesson Explained THE MODEL PRAYER (Luke 11:1-4)

Prayer was real in the life of Jesus. His prayer life inspired his disciples to ask him, "Lord, teach us to pray." In response, Jesus gave them the Model Prayer. Though often called the Lord's Prayer, it is meant to give guidance for Christians as to the approach in, and the content of, prayer.

In our communion with God, we are to think of him as Father. This emphasizes his loving nature and our personal relationship with him. He cares for us with infinite love. He has adopted us into his family. In our communion with God, we should be concerned first with his interests, the exaltation and honor of his name, and the coming of his kingdom. In other words, our communion with him is not to be self-centered but God-centered. We recognize his majesty and greatness and want him to be regarded with reverential devotion in all the earth. In addition to this, however, we come to the Heavenly Father with confidence that he can supply our needs, both physical and spiritual. Appropriately, we ask for daily bread, we seek his forgiveness, and we plead for power to overcome temptation.

service was held at Main Street Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, the home church of his paternal grandparents, with Rev. John E. Barnes, pastor, and Rev. Quincy C. Barrett, pastor of Green's Creek Baptist Church, officiating. Rev. Barrett is a cousin of the deceased.

Sonny's great-grandparents, great aunts and uncles were among the founders of the original Oak Grove Baptist Church near Hattiesburg.

In Memory Of Sonny Overstreet

By James G. Revels & Others

Hattiesburg, Mississippi's loss is Heaven's gain in the recent passing of Ollie (Sonny) Overstreet, Jr. A Christian life such as his that gave so much and took so little will not be forgotten. His outstanding spirit of selflessness and love of all mankind decidedly left their mark on the old hometown.

Small in stature from the childhood effects of polio at age two, but mighty in spirit, his disposition, his humor, his perception, his compassion, his strength, and the sunshine he spread made him a giant in character. Coming to the defense of anyone under criticism, he conducted a lifelong crusade for fairness and justice.

"Sonny" had a magnetic and sparkling personality, attracting people to him from all walks of life, friend to all, enemy to none. A steadfast practitioner of the "Golden Rule," a true embodiment of the Christian spirit, Sonny stems from five generations of Baptists, and has several cousins serving the Baptist ministry.

The glow he left behind should inspire others to make "one tiny light" of their life and see what "a bright world this would be."

Hattiesburg is a dreadfully lonely place now, but there's a brand NEW STAR IN HEAVEN shining down on our town, one that we had not seen before! It winks and blinks more than all the other stars together as night shades fall over God's celestial dome, as if it were trying to say "G'night," as he always did, so we know—yes, we know, Sonny.

NOTE: Sonny's funeral

"THE SOUL'S SINCERE DESIRE" (Luke 11:9-13)

Prayer is a matter of asking, seeking, and finding. The form of these words emphasizes that prayer calls for perseverance. Whoever keeps on asking will receive; whoever keeps on seeking will find; whoever keeps on knocking will gain entrance. Real prayer cannot be half-hearted. It must represent the sincere desire of one's being.

Jesus added a parable for illustration and emphasis. We come like children to the Father, to ask for what we need. He does not play tricks—give a stone instead of bread or a serpent instead of fish or a scorpion instead of an egg. He gives with perfect wisdom and infinite kindness what we most need to receive. Above all, God will give himself. An earthly father, with weakness and inclination toward evil, will give good gifts to his children. The Heavenly Father, without weakness or evil and with perfect love and power, will give the Holy Spirit to those who keep on asking.

THE TESTIMONY OF EXPERIENCE (1 John 1:1-3)

The writer declares that Christ is eternal—"from the beginning." He became incarnate in flesh, so that he was heard and seen and touched. All this affirms as plainly as language can that Christ was a real man. The words of the writer declare the certainty of his knowledge of Christ and the reality of his experience with him. Christ was manifested in the flesh in order to bring life—eternal life—to men. Through faith in him, the Christian is brought into a new relationship with the Father and the Son—that is, into the reality of spiritual oneness with the living God. Christian fellowship depends on reality in Christian conversion.

Christ is as real now as he was in the days of his flesh. He comes to us through his Spirit. We can know his power, receive his forgiveness, hear his commandments, experience his consolation, and be possessed by his love just as really as persons who felt the spell of his presence in the flesh.

Truths to Live By
Communion with God is the highest privilege. —Whoever will may come with boldness even to the throne of grace—provided only that he comes

through Jesus Christ. Whatever one's sins, whatever one's race or class, whatever one's past or present, he can come to God and have communion with God—if he comes and penitence, with sincerity, with desire for God's mercy, and with yearning to be hid with Christ in God. The humblest saint or the greatest sinner is invited to seek the Lord, encouraged to trust in the goodness of the Heavenly Father, and assured that God will abundantly pardon and graciously bless and fill with joy and peace.

Communion with God demands a clean life. —Isaiah warns us, "Your iniquities have separated between you and your God." The person whose heart is pure, who seeks God with single-hearted devotion, is the one who will see God, according to the Beatitudes spoken by Jesus. This should impress on us something of the moral demands in worship. It is mockery to lift up hands in prayer which are given over to violence or impurity. It is hypocrisy to speak words of praise to God while the mouth is given to profanity and lies. It is utterly useless to say prayers or to pretend to worship God when the heart is full of greed and lust.

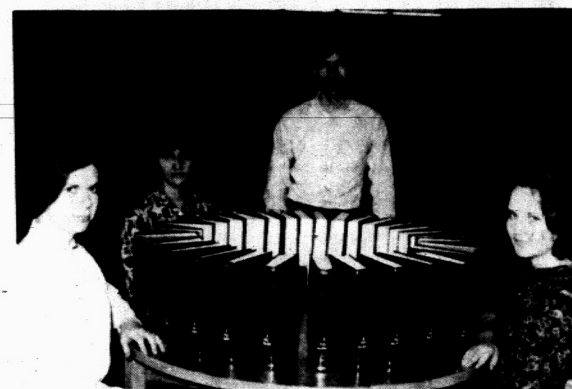
Abiding in Christ is a life-transforming experience. —the Christian must decide voluntarily to abide in Christ. This means desiring Christ, following Christ, trusting and loving Christ, obeying Christ, and seeking to honor Christ. Something happens to a person who abides in Christ; he becomes Christlike in character, he becomes fruitful in Christian service, he becomes strangely calm and courageous, and he becomes certain as to duty and as to what he believes about God and man. Communion with Christ will set a person aflame with zeal for service in the name of Christ.

Stetson Names News Director

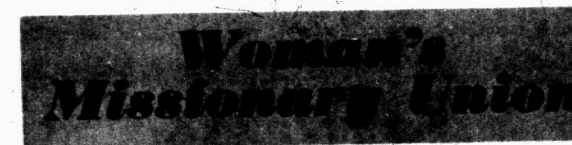
DeLAND, Fla. (BP)—Ralph M. Parkman of Carrollton, Ga., has been named director of the news bureau at Stetson University (Baptist) here.



LEAF CHURCH recently awarded pins for perfect attendance in Sunday school. Pictured above, along with their pastor, are seven who received 6-year perfect attendance pins. Left to right are: front row, Mrs. Betty Lou McLendon; Betty Louise McLendon; Dennis McLendon; and Marie Harvison. Second row, Rev. David Perry, pastor; Mr. Ray McLeod, Sunday school superintendent; Martha Harvison; and Mrs. Mary Harvison. V. E. McLendon and Glenda Breland received 5-year attendance pins. Other awards were under five years.



CLARKE PREPARES FOR LIBRARY WEEK—Under the direction of Miss Pauline Davis, librarian, students are making preparations for Library Week, to be observed in April. Students, from left, Virginia Magness, Sardis; Ruth McGee, Mayersville; Jackie Bryant, Decatur, Ga.; and Fay Pilgrim, Union help prepare a newly acquired Encyclopedia Americana for a place in the reference section of Sanders Memorial Library.



PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGES MISS. WOMAN'S M.U. ARTICLE V

Section 1. The officers shall be a President, Vice-president, Recording Secretary, Associate Recording Secretary, District Presidents and District Vice-presidents (one of each from each of the districts of the state). The term of office shall begin at the final adjournment of the annual convention.

Section 2. During a designated business session of the annual meeting the recording secretary shall read the nominating committee and call the meeting for organization, at which time a chairman, a co-chairman and secretary shall be elected.

Section 3. The nominating committee shall have an initial meeting at the fall Board meeting and shall elect nominees at the annual Board meeting.

Section 3. The annual meeting shall be open to members of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Unions and visitors. The privilege of making motions, debating and voting shall be limited to members of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Unions.

Section 4. One hundred members of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Unions present at any session of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union in annual meeting constitute a quorum.

Religion Classes Enrollment Up In

Students taking classes in the Division of Religion at Mississippi College the second semester number 48 more than were enrolled for the same number of classes the first semester.

Dr. E. R. Pinson, chairman of the division, in a report giving the class breakdown, stated that 910 students were enrolled in 24 classes this semester as against 862 last semester.

In a course-by-course breakdown, the report revealed that three classes in philosophy showed the greatest increase.

Retired Minister Dies In Alabama

Services for Rev. George A. Smith, retired Mississippi Baptist minister who died Sunday, February 6, in the hospital at Eufaula, Ala. were held on Feb. 8 at Pleasant Hill Church in Barbour County, Alabama.

Mr. Smith, whose wife, Mrs. Nina Beasley Smith, died nearly two years ago, served as pastor at a number of churches in the state—including Decatur near Newton; Mt. Gilead and Toombs in Lauderdale; Sandersville, Pine Grove near Heidelberg; Eden, Hebron, Corinth, and Tucker's Crossing in Jones County. He served as interim pastor at Pleasant Hill in Alabama, which was his last church home.

After retirement, and before going to Alabama, he was a member of West Laurel Church.

Survivors include: 9 daughters: Mrs. J. M. Caldwell, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Gertrude Geddie and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Jackson; Mrs. John Searcy and Mrs. Donald Kline of Eufaula, Alabama; Mrs. Hugh McCarty and Mrs. R. K. Wallin of Laurel; Mrs. N. B. Yarbrough of Meridian; and Mrs. Jim Hayes of Atlanta, Ga.; two sons: Lewis C. Smith, Pascagoula; and George A. Smith, Jr. Mobile, three sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Hickman, Liberty, Texas, Mrs. Lessie Ponder, Hazlehurst; and Mrs. Lois Dickerson, New Hebron; three brothers, Dr. B. Frank Smith, William Carey College, Daniel E. Smith, Jackson; and John F. Smith, New Orleans; 30 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

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Calvary Church, Batesville: March 13-20; Rev. John Jacobs, pastor at Shaw, evangelist; J. B. Michael, music director at Calvary, singer; Rev. E. S. Hall, pastor; services during week at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; regular hours on Sunday.

Riverside Church, Clarksdale: March 6-13; Dr. S. F. Dowis, Atlanta, Georgia, evangelist; Jack Burns, singer; Rev. Clyde A. Williams, pastor; services at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. (Dr. Dowis, now retired, worked with the



Natchez, 1st: April 10-17; William Peyton Thurman, dean of students, Southern Seminary, evangelist; Doug Scott, minister of music at First Church Columbia, singer; Rev. Tom W. Dunlap, Jr., pastor; M. C. McDaniel, Jr., minister of music.

First, Inverness: March 6-11; Dr. Russell M. McIntire (pictured), pastor of First Church, Clinton, evangelist; Earl Hollaway, minister of music at First Church, Memphis, Tenn., music director; Dr. John Cobb, pastor; services at 10 a.m. each weekday morning, and at 7:30 each evening.



Pilgrim's Rest (Cophah): March 6-11; services at 7:30 p.m. daily; Dr. Hal D. Bennett, Graceville, Florida, evangelist; Rev. Finley Evans, pastor; Edd Bush, music director; Amy Thornton, pianist; Carla Donahoe, organist. Dr. Bennett, former pastor at First Church, Vardaman, Miss., is Director of Public Relations and Field Guidance at Baptist Bible Institute in Graceville. (The Pil-

The Sin Of Sincerity!

By Ervin Brown, Supt. of Missions, DeSoto County

Some several years ago we found a very precious nugget of truth in the seemingly insignificant passage in Chapter 13, I Chronicles. David had now consolidated his kingdom and wanted to bring the Ark, the symbol of God's presence and blessing into his capitol city. This plan, (vs. 2) seemed good to the people and was "right in the eyes of all the people." (vs. 4) They were all sincere and really made a great effort to do this right and did this "with all their might." (vs. 8) They even got a "new cart," (vs. 7) because they knew this Ark to be a sacred thing and did not want to insult God by using an old dirty conveyance.



This all sounds so good and right, but then a strange event happens! David had selected two good men to go with the cart to watch the Ark and when it seemed the Ark was about to fall into the dirt, Uzza reached out "to hold the Ark." (vs. 9) We are sure Uzza was sincere and meant well but "the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzza, and He smote him . . . and he died before God." (vs. 10) Why should God do such a seemingly unjust thing? Even David was puzzled and pouting with the Lord, said, we believe, in sarcasm, "How shall I bring the Ark of God home to me?" (vs. 12) If God was going to be so fastidious about how the Ark was carried, David would just leave it out there. The Ark was carried to the home Obed-edom and "the Lord blessed the house . . . and all that he had." (vs. 14)

We believe God was giving us a very vivid object lesson in the solemn truth that sincerity does not always make a thing right and that zeal only adds to the wrong. The wise man in Proverbs 16:25 warns, "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death!"

Even though David was sincere and meant well, he knew, or could have known, what God had said about the Ark. In giving the details about the construction of the Ark, God had said the Ark was to be carried on the shoulders of four priests by a staff connected to the Ark. (Exodus 25:14) David knew all this but it was "more convenient" this way because when his pouting spell was over, he sought to do it God's way. (Chapter 15:11-15)

The truth here is that if we want God's blessing, we must seek to do His work, exactly His way. Sincerity cannot make it right! Sincerity can be a sin if it directs one to do what God has not commanded. What God says, he means! Uzza died as the result of the sin of sincerity.

grim's Rest pastor, Mr. Evans, was deacon at Vardaman while Dr. Bennett was pastor there.)

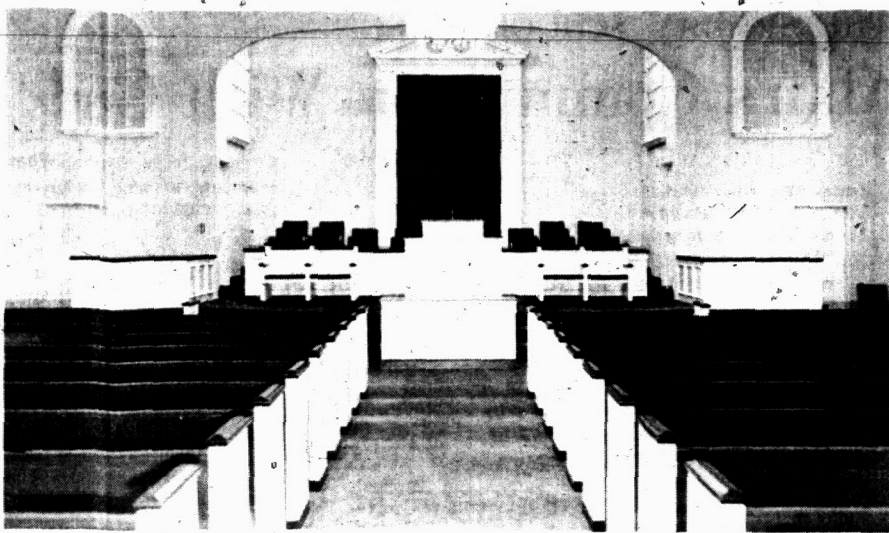
McArthur Church, Pascagoula: March 6-12; Rev. Edward Lee, pastor of Bethel Church, Hartselle, Ala., evangelist; Rev. Dan Havens, song leader; Rev. Ray Hill, pastor; services at 10 a.m. Monday through Friday and at 7:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Big Ridge, Biloxi: March 6-13; Rev. Paul D. Aultman, pastor of First Church,

Ocean Springs, evangelist; Grant Shipp, music director; Rev. Robert M. Carlisle, pastor.

Franklin Church (Madison Co.): Spring revival, March 6-11; Rev. Billy Canoy, Smith County, evangelist; Copie Myers, Van Winkle, Jackson, song leader; Barbara Sue Cox, pianist; evening services at 7:30; Rev. W. M. Bufington, pastor.

Highland Church, Jackson: March 6-13, Rev. G. C. Cox, Hillcrest, Jackson, evangelist. Rev. Keith Hart, pastor. Sunday services at 8:30, 11 and 7:30. Week services at 7 & 7:30.



WILDWOOD CHURCH, Laurel, dedicated their new sanctuary (shown above) on Sunday, February 6.

Wildwood, Laurel, Dedicates Sanctuary



PICTURED ARE the men who were on program at the dedication of Wildwood's sanctuary: Left to right: Rev. Guy Reedy, Rev. Glen Williams, Dan Hall, Rev. Jackie Hamilton (Wildwood pastor), Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Mayor Henry Bucklew, Rev. Clyde Little, Rev. W. P. Young, and Lewis Harrington.

Names In The News

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ligon, missionaries to Spain, have had a recent change of address. They are now living at Auda Jacinto Benaute 231a, Valencia, Spain.

Rev. W. L. Collins began his pastorate at Parkway Church, Pascagoula, on February 13. He and his wife, Vera, have two children,

Billy, 2, and John Mark, seven months. He moved from Oak Grove Church, Carrollton, Georgia.

Rev. James Lightsey has resigned the pastorate of Larue Church, Jackson County.

Rev. E. E. McPherson has resigned as pastor of Lily Orchard Church, Jackson County, to move to Arizona.

Rev. Joe Harbour has accepted a call to be pastor of Arlington Heights Church, Pascagoula. He was formerly pastor of First Church, Kreole.

Miss Josephine D'Arpa, assistant professor of voice at William Carey College, presented the special music at each session of the Louisiana Young Woman's Auxiliary Conference held February 18-20 in Alexandria, Louisiana.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Winston Pearce will give a "Dialogue

Cliff Temple
Pastor Retires

DALLAS, Tex.—The pastor for 48 years of Cliff Temple Baptist Church here—among the 10 largest in the Southern Baptist Convention—retired March 1, having effected a ministry of 56 years.

Attribution of the service of Dr. Wallace Bassett, 81, may be indicated in the title of his last scheduled sermon on Sunday evening, Feb. 27: "The Lordship of Jesus Christ."

Preacher, author, educational leader, business executive and former denominational officer, the noted pastor plans to do some travel and possibly to become active again in writing.

Known in convention and pastoral leadership as the "dean of preachers," Dr. Bassett came to Cliff Temple in the Oak Cliff section of Dallas on March 1, 1918. Growth of the church under his leadership has been described as immeasurable.

He has been president of the Southern Baptist Convention's Annuity Board for 45 years and is the only man to have served continuously on the board since its founding in 1918. He will rotate off the board in May as president emeritus.

on the Influence of Reading" March 10 at a progressive dinner at the Sunday School Board, Nashville, in honor of church librarians in the Nashville Baptist Association. Dr. Pearce, author of five Broadman Press books, is professor of preaching at Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif. The dinner is a special project of the Board's publicity committee for National Library Week—Church Library Emphasis April 17-23.

Bill Day of Louisville was chief entertainer for the annual Valentine banquet at Clarke College. He took his own organ with him to the college for "a dazzling program of theatrical organ music." The freshmen traditionally entertain the sophomores at this February festival. James Reed of Columbus was master of ceremonies.



NASHVILLE—WHAT? A CARTOON in "The Sunday School Witnessing Plan for a Church"? No, these men are just enthusiastic about the new features of this manual, which has been sent to all Southern Baptist pastors to aid them in planning witnessing activities two to four weeks before revivals. They are: (seated) Dr. D. Lewis White, consultant, general administration unit, Sunday school department, Sunday School Board; Virgil Peters, pastor, Saturn Drive Baptist Church, Nashville; (standing) Jack Stanton, associate, division of evangelism, Home Mission Board, Atlanta; and Dr. A. V. Washburn, secretary, Sunday school department, BSSE. The Sunday school witnessing plan is a project developed to encourage and help pastors and Sunday school officers and teachers implement a witnessing program in churches.



PICTURED ABOVE is Rev. Joe B. Nanne, pastor of First Church, Ita Bena, presenting the highest diploma of the Church Study Course to Eddie McCarty. Mr. McCarty is Director of Training in his church, a deacon, a Sunday school teacher and Training Union worker.

TOM COOPER
DIES AT 90

J. T. (Tom) Cooper, age 90, died on January 17 in Scott County Hospital at Morton.

Born near Morton on September 18, 1875, Mr. Cooper married Florence Milly on December 14, 1898. To the couple were born eleven children, one dying in infancy. Mrs. Cooper preceded her husband in death by fifteen years.

Mr. Cooper became a Christian as a young man and united with Springfield Baptist Church. His testimony for Christ among those who knew him has been spoken of as "a living sermon."

In Mr. Cooper's obituary, the family wrote, "It is not darkness you have gone to, for God is light; it is not lonely, for Christ is with you; it is not an unknown place, for Christ is there."

Hester To Write
College History

LIBERTY, Mo. (BP)—H. I. Hester, recently retired vice president of Midwestern Seminary in Kansas City, Mo., has been commissioned to write a complete history of William Jewell College here by the Baptist school's board of trustees.

Hester had served William Jewell for 35 years before joining the Midwestern Seminary staff. From 1921 to 1961 he served in varying capacities such as chairman of the religion department, vice president, and interim president.

His comprehensive history of the Baptist school when completed will be the school's first such document since 1893, when James G. Clark wrote the last and only history of the college.

Cophah County
Pastors, Deacons
Hear Ramsay

The annual pastor-deacon banquet for Cophah Association was held in Hazlehurst on February 4. Ninety-one deacons and sixteen pastors from seventeen churches met for this event.

Rev. Glenn Schilling, pastor of Shady Grove Church and president of the pastors



Accepts Call
To Corinth

Rev. Gerald Buckley, Minister of Education, First Church, Natchez, has accepted the call to a similar position with First Church, Corinth.

Mr. Buckley has been Minister of Education at First Church, Natchez, since May, 1960, coming from Winnfield, Louisiana, where he had held the position of Minister of Education and Youth for six years.

He is a native of Prentiss, Mississippi, and graduated from Mississippi College, and from New Orleans Seminary. He served for two summers as a Student Mission Worker with the Home Mission Board.

Mr. Buckley served in the U. S. Navy from 1944-46. He is married to the former Ruby Joyce Harris of Brandon, and they have 3 children.

Rev. P. A. Michel is pastor of First Church, Corinth.

conference, presided; Rev. Eugene L. Roberts, Superintendent of Missions, made a presentation of associational missions. Special music was rendered by Tommy Howard and Joe Owens of Crystal Springs.

Rev. Rowe Holcomb, pastor of First Church, Hazlehurst introduced the speaker; Dr. Bob Ramsay, pastor of First Church, Brookhaven.

Dr. Ramsay, who recently travelled in Europe and Soviet Russia, spoke from the background of his travels to challenge the men and their churches to active support of

Clinton Church
Plans Addition

Morrison Heights Church, Clinton, is planning a new addition to the church. Plans call for a two story educational building, according to Rev. Charles Gentry, pastor.

Gerald Ramsey, Jackson architect and member of Morrison Heights, prepared plans for the expansion program. Located on Morrison Drive, between Highway 80 and Clinton Blvd., the new building will have nursery, beginner and primary departments, and a choir room to accommodate sixty members with robe and storage closets adjacent.

A covered portico will extend from the building allowing two cars to drive through at one time. A new parking lot will adjoin with spaces for 100 cars.

The building finance committee is composed of Dr. Charles Deever, chairman; Miss Nellie Jean Gordon, and Jim Tillman. A goal of \$30,000 in money and pledges by May 1 has been set.

The Building Construction Committee is composed of Ed McDonald, chairman; W. W. Keeler, Sr., Jack Lee, Bert Melton, Mrs. Tom Mooney, Hale Singletary, Jr., and Mrs. Frank Weatherly.

Knights Valley
Licenses Preacher

Knights Valley Church, Clarke County, recently licensed James Gayle Pope to the gospel ministry.

Active in his church, Gayle is now its treasurer. Also he is vice-president of the Clarke County Baptist Youth Night organization.

He plans to enter college this summer, and is available for supply preaching. He may be reached by mail at Route 2, Vossburg, Miss., or by telephone.

Christian missions, as the only adequate answer to the threat of Communism facing the churches today.



CARTERS VISIT NEWTON CHURCH—From left, Dr. Frances Carter; Nell, 10; Wayne, 16; and Dr. John T. Carter. On February 13, the John T. Carter family, above, visited First Baptist Mission, Newton, as guests of honor. Dr. John Carter addressed a special morning program of the mission, summarizing the conflict between Christianity and Communism in the Far East, especially in Southeast Asia. He said that the present slow rate of missionary progress and low degree of effectiveness of Christian activity would never restrain the advance of Communism in this area. "Until our missionary program is increased and is more successful in contending for men's minds," said Dr. Carter, "it seems that only military force will be able to cope with Communist aggression." Both Dr. John Carter and Dr. Frances Carter taught in Hong Kong Baptist College the first semester, returning to the States on January 27, to resume their teaching duties in Samford University (formerly Howard College). Dr. John Carter is an alumnus and former professor of Clarke College.

MSU Athletes To Sponsor March
Program, "Teammates For Christ"

The Mississippi State University chapter of Fellowship of Christian Athletes will sponsor an Emphasis Program, Teammates for Christ, Monday and Tuesday, March 7 and 8.

Many nationally-known sports figures, all active in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, will be present for the two-day affair, which will be held in the Animal Husbandry building on the MSU campus.

The informal afternoon sessions, which will include demonstrations, begin at 3 p.m., while the night sessions get underway at 7:30 p.m.

Among the well-known sports personalities on the program are Minnesota Viking quarterback Fran Tarkenton; Paul Anderson, Olympic weight-lifting champion, known as the world's strongest man; Bill Curry, linebacker for the National Football League champion Green Bay

Packers; Porry McGriff, former Florida star; Johnny Baker, former MSU end, now a standout linebacker for the Houston Oilers of the American Football League; Lenny Snow, ace Georgia Tech half-back and most outstanding player in the Gator Bowl game, and Rev. Loren Young, Southeast regional secretary for the FCA, Atlanta.

MSU students and the public are invited.

REVIVAL
RESULTS

First Church, Rolling Fork: February 13-18; Dr. Bob Norwood Ramsay, First Church, Brookhaven, evangelist; Jimmy Cuttrell of Grenada and Mississippi College, in charge of the music; 27 came on profession of faith; 13 additions by letter; 5 rededications; Rev. E. Kyzar, pastor.